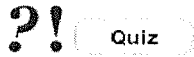




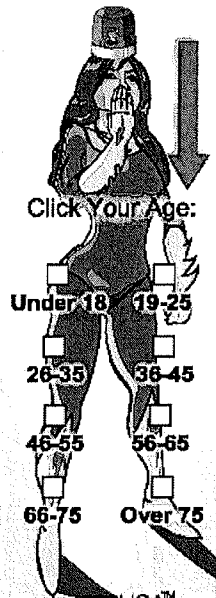
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Examples of TRAY

She carried the *tray* of food to our table.

a car with several storage *trays*

Origin of TRAY

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First Known Use: before 12th century

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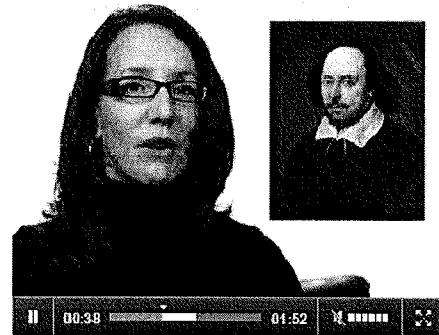
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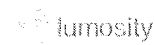
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- 1 : a framework for holding fodder for livestock
- 2 : an instrument of torture on which a body is stretched
- 3 **a** (1): a cause of anguish or pain (2): acute suffering
b: the action of straining or wrenching
- 4 : a framework, stand, or grating on or in which articles are placed
- 5 **a**: a bar with teeth on one face for gearing with a pinion or worm gear to transform rotary motion to linear motion or vice versa (as in an automobile steering mechanism)
b: a notched bar used as a ratchet to engage with a pawl, click, or detent
- 6 : a pair of antlers
- 7 : a triangular frame used to set up the balls in a pool game;
also: the balls as set up
- 8 : BED, SACK
 - rack-ful *noun*
 - on the rack
 - : under great emotional stress

Origin of RACK

Middle English, probably from Middle Dutch *rec* framework; akin to Old English *reccan* to stretch, Greek *oregein*— more at RIGHT

First Known Use: 14th century

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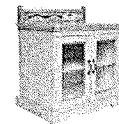
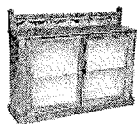
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- 2 **a**: to line near the edge especially with a different material
b: to cover the front or surface of <*faced* the building with marble>
- 3 : to meet face-to-face or in competition
- 4 **a**: to stand or sit with the face toward
b: to have the front oriented toward <a house *facing* the park>
- 5 **a**: to recognize and deal with straightforwardly <*face* the facts>
b: to master by confronting with determination —used with *down* <*faced down* his critics>
- 6 **a**: to have as a prospect : be confronted by <*face* a grim future>
b: to be a prospect or a source of concern for <the problems that *face* us>
c: to bring face-to-face <he was *faced* with ruin>

7 : to make the surface of (as a stone) flat or smooth

8 : to cause (troops) to face in a particular direction on command

intransitive verb

- 1 : to have the face or front turned in a specified direction
- 2 : to turn the face in a specified direction

— *face the music*

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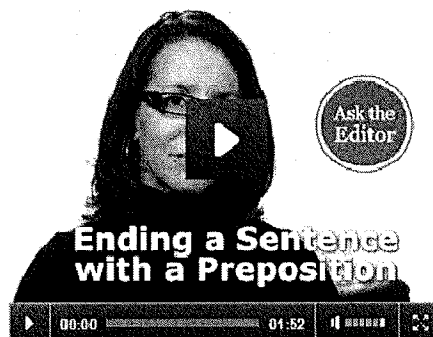
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 She turned around to *face* the window.
 He sat *facing* the wall.
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 The living room *faces* the afternoon sun.
 My shoe was lying in the corner with its sole *facing* upward.
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